

I CLAIM:

1 1. A box for shipping bottles, the box comprising:
2 a generally rectangular floor;
3 generally parallel sides projecting from longitudinal
4 edges of the floor;
5 generally parallel ends projecting from end edges of
6 the floor and bridging the sides;
7 a cover fittable over the sides and ends and forming
8 therewith and with the floor a generally closed space;
9 a longitudinal row of holders hinged on the floor in
10 the space and each shiftable transversely toward and away from
11 each of the sides to define bottle-holding spaces with the ends.

1 2. The bottle-shipping box defined in claim 1 wherein
2 the holders are of generally identical section but of different
3 longitudinal length.

1 3. The bottle-shipping box defined in claim 1 wherein
2 the holders each have

3 a pair of generally parallel legs having lower edges
4 hinged on the floor and upper edges and

5 a top panel bridging the respective upper edges and
6 hinged thereon, the legs and top panel being stiff.

1 4. The bottle-shipping box defined in claim 3 wherein
2 one leg of each pair of legs is substantially shorter than the
3 other leg, the holders being of generally right-trapezoidal
4 shape.

1 5. The bottle-shipping box defined in claim 3 wherein
2 the lower edges of the legs are spaced transversely inward by a
3 maximum bottle diameter from the respective sides.

1 6. The bottle-shipping box defined in claim 3 wherein
2 of the holders are displaceable between center positions defining
3 a pair of seats each extending along a respective one of the
4 sides between the ends and end positions projecting into and
5 longitudinally blocking the seats.

1 7. The bottle-shipping box defined in claim 6 wherein
2 each of the holders is displaceable into an intermediate position
3 between the respective end position and center position and
4 extending only partially into one of the seats, whereby in the
5 intermediate position a holder can hold a small-diameter bottle
6 down in the one seat.